

Interest was shown, the one complaint of the stall-keepers being that they found themselves unable to cope adequately with the rush of inquiries.

The children's session on Thursday evening was given from the Town Hall, and in the opinion of many proved one of the high spots of the exhibition. Aunt Gwen, of course, officiated at the microphone, and the whole session went through with delightful ease and spontaneity.

Catering for Children.

INVITATIONS had been given to children from the primary schools to attend the exhibition on the mornings of Thursday and Friday, under conduct of their masters, as guests of the exhibition. On Thursday morning large parties from several schools attended and enjoyed a crusade round the stalls. Educational value was added to their visit by a brief lecture from Mr. W. M. Dawson on "Radio." On Friday morning the severity of the weather prevented the children from attending as arranged. On Saturday a large number of pupils from secondary schools, being favoured with better

weather, visited the exhibition and appreciated their thoroughly good inspection of the stalls. On this occasion the children were addressed by Mr. A. Gibbs, Chief Telegraph Engineer of the Post and Telegraph Department. This was a most interesting experience.

On Saturday afternoon the attendance was again large, the proportion of children being very high, the draw, of course, being the desire to meet Aunt Gwen. It was impossible on this occasion to give the children's session from the Town Hall, owing to the rebroadcast of the Sydney Football Test Match.

ON Saturday evening the special vaudeville programme arranged by 2YA sufficed to draw a record house to the exhibition, both galleries and floor being filled throughout the major part of the evening. The vaudeville programme, as arranged, was of outstanding merit. It was plain that the opportunity of seeing these performers so frequently heard over the air was highly estimated by the public. Each of the performers was accorded a very hearty reception

on being introduced by Mr. Drummond.

The exhibition closed at 11 p.m. on Saturday, with everyone connected with it in the highest spirits at the brilliant result achieved by the enterprise. The first radio exhibition in the Dominion had been successfully staged with an éclat which unquestionably will contribute to the expansion of radio in this country. The interest shown by the public was surprising and, although the returns actually secured at the exhibition were in themselves extremely good, traders feel that they will reap much additional benefit from the venture in the form of stimulated sales in their shops.

Flashlight Photographs

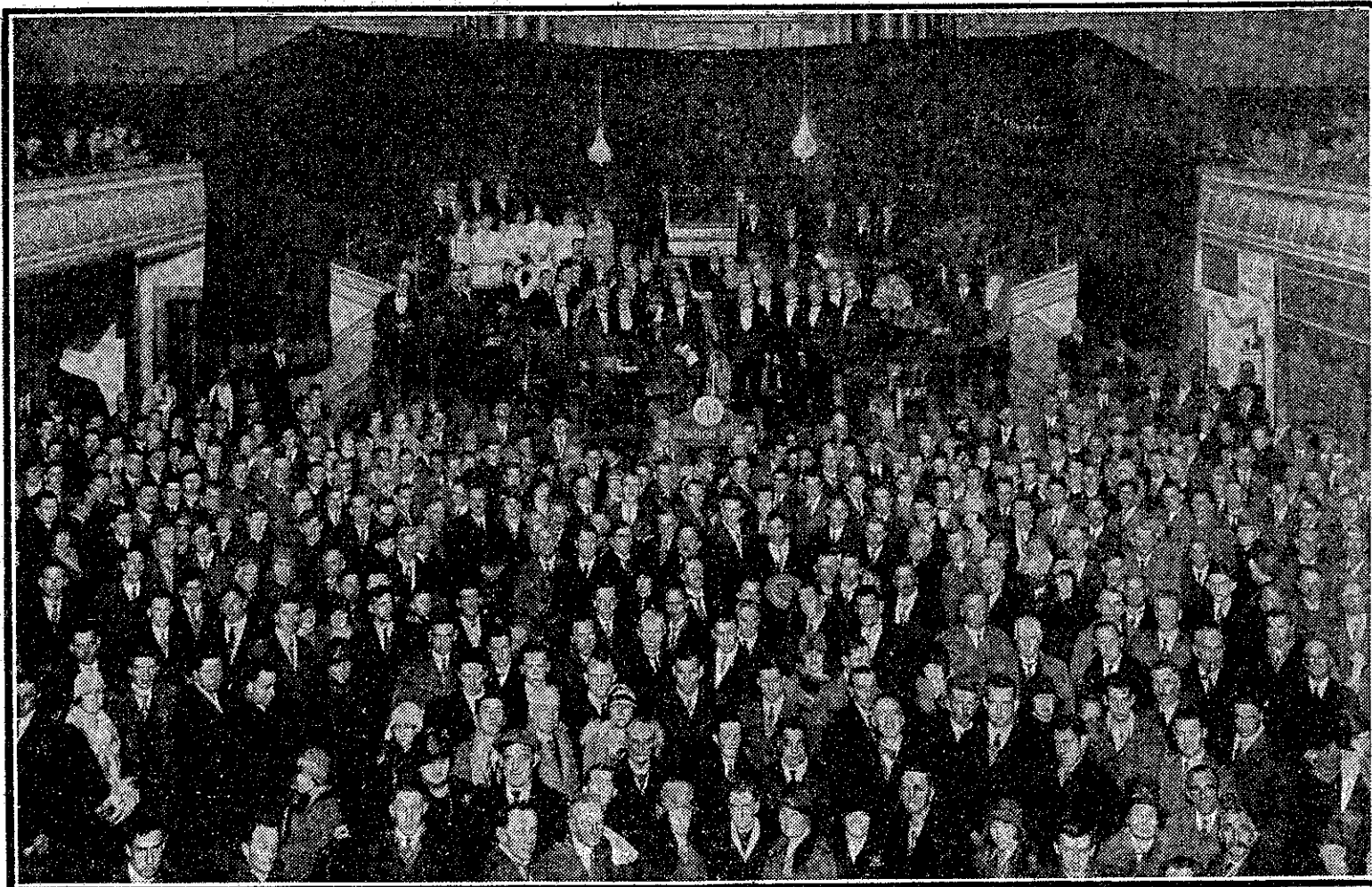
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ON each of the three evenings of the Radio Exhibition, flashlight photographs were taken of the large crowd assembled on the main floor. These

photographs are interesting in themselves, as proof of the great popular interest taken in the event, and will be of historic value as recording the opening of the first radio exhibition in New Zealand. The photographs are so clear that individual faces are easily discernible, and many people may wish to secure copies of the photos as permanent mementoes. In this issue we reproduce the flashlights taken on each of the three evenings.

Those who would like copies may place their orders for the particular evening desired with us on the basis of 2s. 6d. per unmounted copy, and 3s. mounted. Postal notes may be sent to "Radio Record," P.O. Box 1032, Wellington, and copies will then be posted with minimum delay direct to inquirers. Please state clearly which evening's "flash" is desired.

A COMPANY has been formed in Paris to instal radio receivers at railway stations and on trains in France. Similar enterprises are also at work in Hungary, Rumania, Germany, and Canada. Experiments with the same end in view are being carried out in England, but as yet nothing definite has been done.



FLASHLIGHT OF THE OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE FIRST RADIO EXHIBITION HELD IN NEW ZEALAND.

This scene shows the official opening, on Thursday evening, of the Radio Exhibition held in the Wellington Town Hall, July 25, 26 and 27, 1929. The Hon. J. B. Donald, Postmaster-General, officiated. He is seen to the right of the central microphone and Mr. A. J. Heighway, editor "Radio Record" and chairman of the Radio Exhibition Committee, to the left of the central microphone. Also on the stage (from left) are: Messrs. J. Davies (station director), C. J. Ralph (Exhibition committee), J. Ball (editor-announcer), Clive Drummond (announcer), and on right of Postmaster-General: Byron Brown (president Wellington Amateur Radio Society), G. Robertson, C. W. Rickard, C. G. Camp (joint secretary), R. King (private secretary, Postmaster-General), and (at right) J. Galvin ("Radio Record" and joint-secretary Exhibition committee). Massed at the back are the Wellington Municipal Tramways Band and the Wellington Welsh Choir, contributors to the programme. —Wallace, photo.